IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

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Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was filed October 31, 2007. Prior to examination of the RCE on the merits, please amend the application as directed herein. Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.